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HAPPY END OF BAD TANGLE

**Wood and Wen in Colorado—Monkey
Is a Hoodoo—Eloped With His
Wife—Diamonds Missing—
Two Are in Jail.**

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 22.—An automobile, a monkey, an elopement, a wealthy mine owner and a pretty girl with an angry mother in pursuit all formed parts of a comedy which had a possible tragedy in the background and which culminated in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Passmore Lewis were the chief actors in the affair, and a 2,400 mile trip from Colorado ended in an arrest here, followed by their release. This is the story:

Promptly Falls in Love.

Lewis is a wealthy cattleman and mine owner of Buena Vista, Col. About two years ago he was injured in an encounter with desperadoes and stopped at a near-by house to have his wounds dressed.

It happened to be the home of Mrs. Mary J. Nori, wife of the sheriff of Saguache county, and she had a pretty daughter with whom Lewis promptly proceeded to fall in love.

Miss Nori nursed Lewis back to health, though he didn't hurry the process along any. In fact, it was several weeks before he finally decided that he was well.

Girl's Father Killed.

Love ripened rapidly and the wedding was set for a date about a year ago, but was postponed because cattle thieves shot and killed Sheriff Nori, the prospective bride's father.

The men were run down and lynched. Lewis having been active in identifying them as the men who had wounded him.

Again the marriage was postponed, this time until the latter part of October, and just before leaving the Nori house Lewis, in a fit of weakness, gave Mrs. Nori a little monkey he had received from Mexico.

Mrs. Nori liked this, but the monkey soon showed a destructive spirit and destroyed a hat, besides doing other damage and creating dissension in the Nori home.

Monkey Causes Quarrel.

Lewis, unknown, returned and found mother and daughter arrayed against each other, with the monkey as the cause of contention.

His banishment or retention had caused more than one quarrel, until finally the mother, in anger, declared that she would not allow her daughter to marry a man who would give as a present such a destructive pet.

Lewis took Mrs. Nori's threat seriously and the next day engaged an automobile, in which he eloped with Miss Nori. Later in the evening Mrs. Nori missed a valuable diamond necklace and went to her daughter's room to see if she had seen it.

Daughter and Diamonds Gone.

The room was empty. Signs indicated a hasty flight, and Mrs. Nori realized that her daughter had eloped, and promptly connected her disappearance with the loss of the necklace.

Mrs. Nori is an expert horsewoman, and she made her horse fairly fly to the nearest railroad station, at the town of Saguache. But the horse was no match for the automobile, and Mrs. Nori arrived to find that the elopers had started east.

She wired ahead for a private detective to trace the elopers, and the chase led her to this city.

It was not until Saturday night that Mrs. Nori found them at an uptown apartment house in this city.

Elopers Are Arrested.

She notified the police, and the young couple were arrested while at breakfast yesterday morning. A few minutes after they were taken to the city hall and placed in a cell Mrs. Nori entered the cellroom hurriedly and asked that they be released.

"I have just received a message from home," she explained, "which tells me that the necklace that disappeared was found in a crevice in a chimney in my house and that the body of the monkey, which was responsible for the trouble, was found wedged between two bricks, where it had evidently fallen after the creature, no doubt, had been suffocated by smoke."

Withdraws the Charge.

"I shall forgive my daughter and her husband and I wish to withdraw the charge against them."

Mrs. Lewis' eyes were red from weeping as she walked out of a cell upon the arm of her crestfallen hus-

band. Her mother threw her arms around her neck and both started to cry at once.

"Forgive me, dear," said the mother. "I was so hasty and foolish, dear, and if it hadn't been for that dreadful monkey!"

All Ends Happily.

"Yes, mother, Reggie and I both agree with you, now. It was a horrid little beast."

"I should say it was," remarked Reggie, as he led the two women out of the city hall.

Neither Lewis nor Mrs. Nori would say where they had been staying in this city. They said they would leave for the west together in the afternoon.

FRAUD ARRESTED.

Used Mails to Entrap the Innocent and Secure Their Coin.

Chicago, Nov. 22.—Many complaints made to the Chicago postoffice concerning the use of the United States mails fraudulently have resulted in the arrest of Charles Sturtz. A number of complaints from various parts of the country probably will appear to prosecute him.

Charles Eberling of Maynard, Ia. alleged that he received a letter from Sturtz who claimed the Presidency of the "Central Railroad bureau," of Chicago. Eberling said he was informed that for \$3 he would be taught the various signals and information necessary to become a fireman and for an additional \$10 he would be given a position. He alleges he paid the money but failed to secure the position and finally asked the postal authorities to investigate the case.

FAIR CHINESE RETURN.

251 Celestials Under Strong Guard Embark at Oakland.

San Francisco, Nov. 22.—Two hundred and fifty one Chinese arrived from the St. Louis fair today in charge of an immigration inspector and a strong guard. They were immediately transferred from Oakland mole to the steamer Coptic which sails Saturday, for transportation to China.

RANCHER SUICIDED.

A Cripple and Long a Sufferer Puts Bullet Through His Head.

Butte, Mont. Nov. 22.—George Fishburn, despondent form long suffering as a cripple, committed suicide at the McHugh ranch near Lewistown, Montana, yesterday by shooting himself in the head.

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